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FACTORIES REPORT ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROJECTS

The following is part of the "Statement of Appeal for Production Increases in Celebration of the Fifth Anniversary of the Liberation," made public jointly on 5 February 1950 by the Hungnam Fertilizer Factory, Ponkung Chemical Works, Tanch'on Coal Mine, and the Hamhung Railway Administrative District in Hamgyong Namdo:

For the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the liberation, these four largest industries of Hamgyong Namdo have established special production quotas as follow:

This factory plans to complete the 1949-50 economic program by 26 August 1950, so that by the end of 1950 it will have surpassed the total production quota for ammonium sulfate by 160,000 tons. The factory will endeavor to save up to 5 percent of the quantity of raw materials originally allotted. The factory will also adopt the following work efficiency measures:

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2. To maintain the optimum productive efficiency of existing productive facilities by strict enforcement of a system of regular inspections, check-ups repair, and constant attendance of the machines and other productive facilities during both operation and idleness.

3. To economize in the use of pyrites and other raw materials.

4. To reduce as much as 10 percent the current manpower requirement by mechanization of transport agents, elimination of marginal manpower, and accurate measurement of maximum labor productivity.

5. To surpass this year's schedule for workers' training by a least 10 percent by the end of the year.

Ponkung Chemical Works

The Ponkung Chemical Works plans to complete the scheduled production of carbide by 14 August, and to surpass its quota by 22.25 percent by the deadline of the two-year program.

This factory also plans to effect the scheduled production of liquid chlorine by 26 August, and to surpass the total quota by 17.9 percent by the end of the year. It plans to complete the production of all other products by 17 August, and to economize raw materials as much as 5.5 percent during 1950. The Ponkung Chemical Works will: (1) improve the quality of carbide by precision mixing of compounds and accurate timing of the furnace run; (2) increase the operation efficiency of soda furnaces from the current rate of 76 percent to 94 percent; and (3) insure maximum manpower utilization by strict enforcement of the individual production quota system. The factory also plans to conserve 10 percent of its manpower this year.

Tanch'on Coal Mine

The Tanch'on Coal Mine plans to complete the two-year program by 5 August and to exceed the coal production quota by 38,550 tons by the end of the year. It also expects to reduce the 1949 production cost by 21 percent.

This mine will concentrate its efforts on manpower efficiency, and will guarantee digging an additional 5,440 meters by the end of the year.

Hamhung Railway Administrative District

The Hamhung Railway Administrative District anticipates realizing its freight quota by 15 October, and surpassing the quota by 13.3 percent by the deadline of the program. This district will cooperate with the Hungnam Fertilizer Factory, the Ponkung Chemical Works, and the Tanch'on Coal Mine in supporting their production acceleration programs by facilitating shipment of raw materials and finished products. This year, the district will reduce coal consumption for locomotives 15 percent below the amount consumed in 1949.

The total value of savings in production cost which will be realized as a result of production acceleration drives at these four industrial centers is estimated at 182 million won, while the aggregate value of additional production resulting from the anticipated increase will be 2,270 million won.

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SONGJIN MACHINE TOOL FACTORY READY -- Minju Chosun, 6 Feb 50

Construction work on the Songjin Machine Tool Factory was completed on 15 March 1949. The factory occupies an area of 68,000 square meters, housing a foundry shop, machine shop, steel tempering shop, and spring shop. Now under construction are 250 houses for the employees. Beginning this year the factory is expected to manufacture every type of industrial equipment which had to be imported in the past.

DOKNO RIVER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT -- Nodong Sinmun, 10 Feb 50

The Dokno River hydroelectric project, which began on 1 February 1949 under the personal supervision of a Soviet engineer, Goloshov, assisted by many Soviet technical workers, is expected to be finished in 3 years.

Farmers and laborers in Chagang Province are eager to make their contributions to this worthy project and have already helped to complete 655 homes for the workers. The 1950 construction schedule calls for completion of an aggregate selection shop and a cement-mixing plant for the construction of water dams. The aggregate selection plant which, when completed, will be capable of grading 2,000 cubic feet of aggregates per day, is scheduled to be finished by the end of April 50. The cement-mixing plant is nearing completion and equipment installation has already begun. The Kato-type cement mixer the Japanese left behind was found inadequate to meet regular needs; therefore, it is being replaced by a new and better one. The entire project was to take 3 years, but since the scale of national economy demanded greater production of electric power, it has been decided to expand and complete the project in 4 years to be completed in 1952 instead of 1951.

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